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Our Enormous Stock

is now in place and we are now at home in our improved and remodeled building. We have spared no pains or expense to make it one of the best.—Modern in every way—five floors—covering a floor space of 15,380 square feet—elevator from bottom to top. We are using the most improved system in all departments.

Our Spring and Summer Stock is now in.

We are not offering any special sale, but will at all times give you the best prices. We pay the highest market prices for farm produce. Why? Because we have the home market.

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All the flavors of Fountain and Bottle Soda: SANSAPARILLA and IRON, ORANGE CIDER, MINERAL WATER, IRON BREW and WELCH'S GRAPE JUICE.

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All the leading brands of Cigars and Tobacco kept in stock.

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Constantly receiving a fresh supply of Fruits, Chewing Gum, Nuts, Aldon's Candies and Lunch Goods.

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SPECIAL SALE

Boy's Two and Three Piece Suits, regular values at \$4.00 to \$6.00 at almost half the price.

NEW LINE OF LACES
Picture frames—a new line just received—handsome patterns at reduced prices.

Our Boast—that our line of hosiery—especially women's and children's has never been equalled in Dallas.

Racket Store
Main Street, Dallas, Oregon

James Withycombe
OF CORVALLIS
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"An honest and fearless performance of public duty—a greater and united Oregon"

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy
Cures Colds, Croup and Whooping Cough.

FRUIT MEN ORGANIZE

Polk County Horticulturists Hold Meeting in Dallas and Plan Permanent Society.

At the call of J. B. Nunn, Fruit Inspector for Polk County, about 40 fruitgrowers met at the Courthouse in Dallas last Saturday for the purpose of organizing a county horticultural society. Hon. T. J. Hayter, of Dallas, was chosen for temporary chairman, and Professor E. R. Lake, of Corvallis, was elected temporary secretary. The chairman appointed H. S. Butz, W. I. Reynolds and J. B. Nunn as a committee on permanent organization.

H. M. Williamson, of Portland, gave an excellent talk on the organization of Auxiliary societies, citing the results attained elsewhere, and particularly the good results accomplished in Nebraska. His talk was interesting and directly to the point. Governor Chamberlain delivered an address on "The Development of Oregon." He spoke eloquently of the results of organized effort, calling particular attention to the good work done for Oregon by the Lewis and Clark Fair. He declared that this Fair changed the attitude of outside people toward Oregon, and attracted attention to its varied resources in the most effective manner possible. The Governor's talk was greatly enjoyed. At the afternoon session, the report of the organization committee, submitting a constitution and by-laws, was adopted. Officers were then elected as follows: H. S. Butz, of Dallas, president; B. I. Ferguson, of Eola, first vice-president; D. L. Key, of Perrydale, second vice-president; Peter Kurre, of Independence, third vice-president; R. L. Chapman, of Dallas, secretary and treasurer.

A vote of thanks was tendered to Professor Lake and Mr. Williamson for their attendance and instructive talks. The President appointed O. H. Cobb, James Elliott and W. I. Reynolds to solicit members. The list of membership will be circulated in every precinct in Polk county, and it is expected that at least 200 fruit-growers will join the organization.
R. L. CHAPMAN,
Secretary.

Knows Needs of Oregon.

In H. M. Cake of Portland, the people of Oregon have the right kind of man they want to represent them in the United States Senate. No man is more familiar with the needs of our State, nor in a better position to appreciate them than he. For many years past he has been an active worker in the interests of a Greater Oregon and is thoroughly imbued with all the needs of the state. Mr. Cake advocates the election of United States Senators by direct vote of the people, as a means of purifying the Upper Branch of Congress. He stands for the exclusion of Chinese coolie labor from this country.

When Women Disagree.

Those excellent ladies favoring woman suffrage and those opposing it, though the election is more than five months in the future, are waging an incessant warfare, and if all goes well and the ammunition does not give out, every woman in the state is likely to be involved in the carnage on one side or the other before election day. Showers of literature are pouring in on the newspapers from both sides. Not infrequently the same mail brings matter from both. And it is literature of the very first order. The outcome of the struggle will be watched with interest, for the battle is a hot one, as is always the case when Greek meets Greek, or woman meets woman.—McMinnville Reporter.

Canceled Engagement.

The VanCleve Stock Company, which was billed to play at the Brownsville opera house this week, met with a serious mishap while playing at Dallas last week. During the performance a heavy curtain with an iron roller fell, striking two members of the company, injuring one so seriously that all engagements had to be cancelled for the present. Mr. VanCleve writes that he will probably be able to fill his engagement here later.—Brownsville Times.

Will Name County Ticket.

The Prohibitionists of Polk county will meet in mass convention at the courthouse in Dallas, on Saturday, March 31, to arrange for a county ticket and transact other important business.
W. P. MILLER,
Chairman.

Was Bright Student.

In a letter to his paper from Berkeley, California, Editor E. H. Woodward, of the Newberg Graphic, says: "It will be of interest to the friends of Conductor Joe Crocker to know that his son, who graduated from the university here, was considered an exceptionally bright student, was here strictly for business and one who could turn off a great amount of work in a short time. He is now engaged in railroad construction work in the northern part of this state."

FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR
stops the cough and heals lungs

FAVORITE OF THE PEOPLE

Candidate Tooze Is Too Active and Energetic to Suit Old Ring Politicians.

The old Salem ring politicians don't take kindly to Walter L. Tooze of Woodburn for congress. He is a little too active and energetic for them. He is too independent to suit them.

He has all the energy and strenuousness of Roosevelt, and keeps his ears as close to the ground as did McKinley.

He wrote a platform that was a surprise to the ring leaders. It struck out boldly on new lines, and all they could do was to copy it.

If Walter L. Tooze is nominated he will not have to give all the fat places to two generations of old political hacks.

He will not be mortgaged up to the neck financially for money advanced to him by bosses who would dictate his appointments.

The producers and the laboring men and the real workers in the Republican party, will have something to say as well as the fellows who have worn out official chair bottoms and had their pictures painted at public expense.

Tooze will not be the tool of any boss. He will get his nomination from the people, and he will be a congressman for the people, of the people, and by the people, or stay at home.—Salem Journal.

A. Womer, an enterprising farmer of the Airle neighborhood, was a county seat visitor, Tuesday.

Three little rules we all should keep, To make life happy and bright, Smile in the morning, smile at noon, Take Rocky Mountain Tea at night, Belt & Cherrington.

LIBERAL PRIZES OFFERED

Portland Seed Company Will Furnish Free Seeds for School Children's Industrial Fair.

No movement that has been inaugurated in the schools of this county has met with more popular approval than the proposed School Children's Industrial Fair, for which County School Superintendent C. L. Starr is making elaborate preparations. The teachers of the county have taken a decided interest in the enterprise, and the zeal with which they are promoting it is very commendable as well as fruitful. The Portland Seed Company has generously donated the seeds to be distributed among the children of the county, and many farmers and others are offering money and prizes. The following are the prizes offered to date:

Lincoln ewe, value \$50, by C. L. Hawley of J. H. Hawley & Son's Locust Lawn farm.

\$10 for the best bread, and \$5 for the best rolls made of the "Blue Stem Blend" flour; \$5 for the best pastry made of "White Lily" flour, and a \$2 prize for the best bread made from any brand of flour. These prizes are given by Frank Gibson for the Rickreall Milling Company.

Large globe by the Northwest School Furniture Company, of Portland.

Prize by the Portland Seed Company.

Nursery stock by J. B. Nunn, county fruit inspector.

\$5 for the best water-melon, and \$2.50 for the best musk-melon by the POLK COUNTY OBSERVER.

Superintendent Starr has appointed two committees of men and women whose especial fitness for the positions make the success of their work assured. The ladies' committee con-

Grand Formal Opening

OF NEW FANCY SPRING DRY GOODS
ALL DAY SATURDAY, MARCH 31st.
WAIT FOR THE NEW THINGS.

Dallas Mercantile Company

DALLAS, OREGON

HAS 15,000 GOAT FLEECES
Polk County Pool Will Close April 1, and Sell April 13.

The Polk County Mohair Association met in Dallas Saturday and set April 13 for the sale of the pool of the association. The time to close the pool was extended to April 1. The pool will probably reach 30,000 fleeces.

Maurice Fowle, secretary of the Luckiamute mohair pool, was in Dallas, Saturday. He reported a membership of 35 in the new organization, with prospects for a total membership of 50 growers. No date had been set for the sale of this pool when Mr. Fowle was in Dallas.

It is said that the Luckiamute pool was organized by growers who were dissatisfied with the management of the Dallas pool.

Literary Program.

An open meeting of the Philadelphia and Utopian literary societies will be held in the College chapel tonight. Following is the program: Double quartet; invocation; opening address, Ella Roy; reading, O. O. Arnold; Invincible quartette; oration, Hattie Teats; book review, Nola Coad; humorous reading, W. E. Critchlow; duet, Frankie Hayter and Ella Roy; prophecy, Dean Collins; reading, H. Barendrick; society paper; girls' quartette.

Land of Many Peoples.

"At a Lakeview restaurant there recently line up at one time," says the Herald, "a representative of each of the following countries: Ireland, Scotland, France, Italy, Germany, England and Missouri." Cosmopolitan people out that way. When Dr. Lee Steiner first located in Lakeview, he wrote us that one day he dropped into a restaurant for a quick lunch, and was lined up at the counter with a minister of the gospel, a gambler, an Indian, a sheep herder and a Chinaman.

For Joint Representative.

To the voters of Lincoln and Polk Counties:
I hereby announce myself a Republican candidate for the office of Joint Representative for Lincoln and Polk Counties, subject to the will of the voters at the nominating primary to be held April 20th, 1906.
J. S. COOPER.

In the spring time you renovate your house. Why not your body? Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea drives out impurities, cleanses and enriches the blood and purifies the entire system. 35 cents. Belt & Cherrington.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy
Cures Colds, Croup and Whooping Cough.

Home Made

Have your cake, muffins, and tea biscuit home-made. They will be fresher, cleaner, more tasty and wholesome.

Royal Baking Powder helps the house wife to produce at home, quickly and economically, fine and tasty cake, the raised hot-biscuit, puddings, the frosted layer-cake, crisp cookies, crullers, crusts and muffins, with which the ready-made food found at the bake-shop or grocery does not compare.

Royal is the greatest of bake-day helps.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., NEW YORK.

NOT DESIRED BY PEOPLE

Repeal of Timber and Stone Act Would Be Serious Blow to Development of Western States.

William E. Culklin, the retiring register of the Duluth land office, is much interested in the attempts now being made to have congress repeal the timber and stone law. Mr. Culklin is against the proposed repeal and believes action should be taken at once by the people of this part of the country to check any such attempt. Mr. Culklin has been for eight and a half years in a position to observe the operation of this law closely, and as he is generally admitted to be an authority on land matters, the following statement made by him will doubtless bear weight:

"Steps should be taken by the people of Northern Minnesota to impress on the minds of their representatives in both houses of congress the fact that the repeal of the timber and stone law is not desired by the people of this section. It is one of the most meritorious land laws on the statute books, and its repeal, if it occurs, will be a blow to the development of the northern portion of the state.

"It is essentially a poor man's law and gives the northern pioneer a chance to get on in the world, being one small recompense to him for his work in developing a new country. Anyone who investigates the matter will find that the law is being taken advantage of, not by the dishonest but in fact by the best class of our people. Farmers, mechanics, business men, editors, bankers, clergymen and people of other worthy callings invest their savings in land under this law and at once begin to pay taxes on the land they buy.

"It is true that there has been fraud under this law, but that is true of every other law that I ever heard of. The fact remains, however, that as the timber and stone law is now administered, fraud has been almost entirely eliminated. Such fraud as may be found is merely sporadic, not general. Fraud arises not from bad laws, but from lax or corrupt administration.

"No one, as yet, has advanced even a plausible reason why this beneficent statute should be repealed. One idea advanced is that the lands should be reserved for homesteaders. But some of our land is of such a character that it is not taken as homesteads. Our best lands are now homesteaded.

"Why segregate 1,000,000 or more acres of government land, to be added to the gloomy, unproductive wastes now held by the state? Why not get these lands on the tax rolls to aid in upbuilding the northern counties?"

"It is true that speculators in scrip would benefit by the repeal. Certainly these speculators who usually get something for nothing from the government are not its favorites. At the same time they are the only ones who would reap a profit from its repeal. It would be a wrong to the people and to the towns, villages, school districts and counties of the northern country, the very interests which the proposed repeal is mistakenly supposed to serve."

Keep the little one healthy and happy. Their tender, sensitive bodies require gentle, healing remedies. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea will keep them strong and well. 25 cents, Tea or Tablets. Belt & Cherrington.

Cooper Hops Sold.

Hi Plummer, of Dallas, purchased the Cooper hops Saturday. The hops were strictly choice goods and the lot was shipped to St. Louis, Mo. The purchaser would not state the price given, but it is thought they brought a little better than the present market price, owing to their exceptional quality.

Dust and Snow Mixed.

Sunday morning a novel phenomenon was witnessed here. A flurry of snow had come up during the night before and when the dawn broke the snow was seen to be covered with a layer of fine dust. Indeed, the snow was impregnated with the dust. Investigation proved that snow, dust and all had blown up from the Haystack country, where a dust storm had been in progress Saturday afternoon. The finely powdered snow falling had absorbed the "pumice" dust held in suspension in the atmosphere, and the night wind, dry and cold, had carried the mass up here and deposited it in our neighborhood.—Prineville Review. Much of this dust blow across the Cascade Mountains, and the air in the valley was filled with for several days. Here in Dallas it had the appearance of fog, and many people were unable to account for the strange phenomenon.

Will Furnish Moisture.

M. D. Coulter, owner of the street sprinkler, was up from his farm near Sheridan Junction the first of the week. He will operate his sprinkling wagon again this summer as usual, which insures the work being well done. Mr. Coulter may decide to move his family to Dallas to remain during the summer season.

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B. F. JONES.

Sunday School Institute.

J. P. Conder, Sunday School Evangelist for the State of Oregon, will conduct an institute in the Christian Church in Dallas, commencing tonight. Three sessions will be held. The institute will be in session all day Saturday and Sunday. All Sunday School workers are cordially invited to participate in these meetings.

W. V. FULLER

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Come and See the best gasoline engine made for farmers' purposes.

Ed. Bidle, Agent
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FOR SALE

My place of 340 acres, 5 miles north west of Airle, well adapted for goats or sheep, all goat fence, 40 acres slashed and seeded, fair house and barn, finely watered, plenty fruit, tillable soil sufficient for feed, worth \$12 per acre, will take \$6 per acre.
See E. C. BURROUGHS, Owner,
or H. G. CAMPBELL, Agt., Dallas.

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